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1961 Nisei Week Queen Dianne Kubota



VFW QUEEN — Pretty Diane Kubota, 18-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Henry H. Kubota, 3840 W. Orange Ave., Anaheim, was selected Queen of Orange County's Kama Masuda Memorial Pool 3679, VFW, Saturday night at a dinner and dance held at the Revere House in Tustin.

She will represent some 5,000 Orange County residents of Japanese ancestry in the forthcoming annual Nisei Queen contest during the Nisei Festival to be held in Los Angeles. Diane is shown being crowned by 1960 Queen, Doris Fujino of Buena Park. (Register photo)



ORANGE COUNTY'S FIRST—Diane Kubota, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Henry H. Kubota, 3840 W. Orange Ave., Anaheim became the first Orange County girl to win the title, "Miss Nisei Week" in the 21st running of the annual festival and celebration held in Los Angeles. She was crowned by last year's Queen, Penny Tani at a Coronation Ball held Saturday night in the Biltmore Bowl in Los Angeles. (Register photo)



INVITATION—Mayor Yorty receives scroll from queen Dianne Kubota inviting him to attend the 21st annual Nisei Week Festival. Princesses, from

left, are Joyce Kanase, Gerry Uyama, Shirley Kamayatsu, Shirley Nishimura, Hiromi Fujinami and May Ishihara. Other officials also were invited. Times photo

Seven Seek Nisei Week Queen Title

Seven lovely young Japanese-American girls, candidates for Queen of the Nisei Week Festival, were presented to the Consul General of Japan at a reception Sunday in Pasadena.

Consul General Yukio Hasumi and Mrs. Hasumi held an open house at the consulate residence, 275 S. Orange Grove Ave., where leaders of the large Japanese colony here met the contestants.

The 21st festival will be held Aug. 11-20 in Little Tokyo on E 1st St. It will include art exhibits, karate, judo and goh tournaments, talent shows, tea ceremony demonstrations, flower arrangement displays, eisa dancing and other entertainment.

The queen of the celebration will be chosen and crowned at a coronation banquet in the Biltmore Bowl, Aug. 5 at 7 p.m.



SEEK QUEEN TITLE — Candidates for queen of the Nisei Week Festival in Little Tokyo Aug. 11-20 are, left to right, Miss May Ishihara, 19; Miss Dianne Misao Kubota, 19; Miss Shirley Kamayatsu, 19 (rear); Miss Gerry Uyama, 20; Miss Shirley Toyoko Nishimura, 18; Miss Joyce K. Kanase, 19; and Miss Hiromi Fujinami, 19. Queen will be chosen and crowned at Aug. 5 banquet. Times photo

